

Appendix

CONCISE STATEMENT OF RELEVANCY BETWEEN THE INVENTION AND MATERIALS

1. Japanese Unexamined Patent Publication No.Hei.9-160602:

This reference discloses a vehicle control system for connecting a plurality of ECUs 10-40 for controlling each sections of the vehicle through a communication line 50, and for transmitting/receiving a part of control data using a communication control circuit 70 of each ECU. When each ECU detects an abnormality of calculation data indicating a control amount of detection data or a group of actuators 16 on the basis of a detection signal from a group of sensors 12 or a group of switches 14, a abnormal state signal is transmitted to other ECUs. In addition, when each ECU detects an abnormality of the each ECU itself, all control data therearound in a memory 60a. As a result, when an abnormality occurs in the control system, each ECU stores the control data simultaneously. A state of the vehicle is grasped in detail on the basis of the control data and cause of failure can be specified precisely.

2. Japanese Unexamined Patent Publication No.Hei.7-9926:

This reference discloses a parts-information management system. A vehicle information controller 3 includes a memory 6 storing vehicle peculiar information and repair history information and a system control section 16, which reads the vehicle peculiar information and the repair history information from memories 6-8 and has a function of writing new repair history information into the memory 6. First and second electronic control units 4 and 5 include memories 7 and 8 storing the vehicle peculiar information and the repair history information. A vehicle-outside terminal device has a function of instructing the vehicle information controller 3 to read the vehicle peculiar information and the repair history information from the memories 6-8 and to write the new repair history information into the memories 6-8, and has a function of displaying the vehicle peculiar information and the repair history information read from the memories 6-8 on a display section 13.